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25 June 1951

TO: PDC  
FROM: FDM  
SUBJECT: Lucien Conein

Below is quoted an excerpt from a dispatch of 13 June  
1951 [redacted] from the Chief of Station, Karlsruhe:

"The most remarkable case of self-improvement by study and self-discipline I have witnessed in this organization. Starting with a spotty reputation and a very spotty background, Conein has seriously applied himself to self-education, both by outside study and by a conscientious and level-headed approach to the job given him. Has succeeded in coming a long way and will go a lot further. This, combined with his personal courage, activist tendencies, strong personality and devotion to the job, make him one of the good bets for the future. Training people should be carefully briefed concerning his background and his desire for improvement and should be encouraged to help him in every way to make the best out of his Washington experience."

[redacted]  
Acting Chief, FDM

cc: Security Office

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